



NEWS RELEASE

RJC CERTIFIES Barsamian Diamonds NV

LONDON - RJC announced today that Barsamian Diamonds NV has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its Trading office in Antwerp, Belgium. The 2013 COP was released in November 2013.

"It is a pleasure to announce Barsamian Diamonds NV has been certified against the 2013 COP. The new provisions under the 2013 COP address important issues for our Members and their supply chain. We are thrilled to see Members achieving Certification against the standard and warmly congratulate Barsamian Diamond NV," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Ann Van Vlaenderen from Figurad Bedrijfsrevisoren, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"Barsamian Diamonds NV is very pleased and honoured to have achieved the RJC re-certification based on the current RJC standards (Code of Practices 2013). We see this re-certification both as a recognition of our continued endeavour to uphold the highest ethical and moral standards in our business operations and as a commitment to all our stakeholders. As a re-certified RJC member we will seek to promote responsible practices throughout our industry." Says Philippe Barsamian, Managing Director, Barsamian Diamonds NV, Antwerp, Belgium

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 600 Member companies that span the jewellery supply chain from mine to retail. RJC Members commit to and are independently audited against the RJC Code of Practices – an international standard on responsible business practices for diamonds, gold and platinum group metals. The Code of Practices addresses human rights, labour rights, environmental impact, mining practices, product disclosure and many more important topics in the jewellery supply chain. RJC also works with multi-stakeholder initiatives on responsible sourcing and supply chain due diligence. The RJC's Chain-of-Custody Certification for precious metals supports these initiatives and can be used as a tool to deliver broader Member and stakeholder benefit.

The RJC is a [Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance](#) – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit www.responsiblejewellery.com

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About Barsamian Diamonds NV

Our company, Barsamian Diamonds N.V., has its roots in a family tradition which goes back to 1907. Barsamian Diamonds N.V. is an independent, family owned company, located in the heart of the Diamond District in Antwerp (Belgium). Our main activity is the wholesale of polished diamonds. We are active on an international scale with the purpose to supply a large variety of products and services catering to the specific needs of our customers – merchants, jewellery manufacturers, distributors and jewellers...

Our competitiveness is based on the following elements:

- the diversification of our supply sources
- the permanent drive to improve both the quality and the range of our products and services
- our recognized notoriety and reputation within the trade
- our privileged position as an important player on the international market
- the experience and specialized skills of our staff

Barsamian Diamonds N.V. aims at becoming a model enterprise in the diamond trade, capable of adapting to the needs of its customers and operating as a true catalyst in the chain of goods, services, skills, ideas and information.

For further information, visit <http://www.barsamiandiamonds.com>

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